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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIDEKAZU SHIMOMURA ET AL.) Examiner: Mr. Negussie Worker
Application No.: 09/239,020) Group Art Unit: 2624
Filed: January 29, 1999)
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 3, 2002, in the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1-4, 7-11 and 15 to read as set forth below. For convenience, all of the claims are included, whether or not they are amended, and a marked up copy of each amended claim, showing the changes made, is appended hereto.

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